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SUBJ: EXPIRATION OF AGREEMENT RELATING TO COMMUNICATIONS

CABLE

REF: (A) STATE 47284, (B) PANAMA 1436

1. EMBASSY DRAFT OF INTENDED NOTE, REPLYING TO GOP PROPOSAL
TO EXTEND 1949 AGREEMENT RELATING TO A COMMUNICATIONS CABLE,
FOLLOWS:

"I HAVE THE HONOR TO REFER TO YOUR EXCELLENCY'S NOTE NO.
DREU-20/1551 OF JANUARY 28, 1974, WHICH PROPOSES A FIVE YEAR
FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE AGREEMENT RELATING TO A
COMMUNICATIONS CABLE WHICH WAS ORIGINALLY EXTENDED UNDER THE
PROVISION DESCRIBED IN NUMBERED PARAGRAPH (1) OF THE AGREEMENT,
UNTIL MARCH 31, 1974, BY EXCHANGE OF NOTES ACCOMPLISHED ON
MARCH 9, 1965 AND APRIL 1, 1965.

"YOUR EXCELLENCY ALSO STATED THAT THE DIRECTORATE OF CIVIL
AERONAUTICS OF PANAMA PROPOSES TO INSTALL A MICROWAVE SYSTEM
BETWEEN TOCUMEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND ALBROOK AIR FORCE
BASE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A SUBSTITUTE FOR "THE CABLE" UPON
EXPIRATION OF THE AFOREMENTIONED TEN YEAR EXTENSION.

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"THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION IS PREPARED TO COOPERATE WITH THE DIRECTORATE OF CIVIL AERONAUTICS OF PANAMA IN THE INSTALLATION OF THE MICROWAVE SYSTEM AND WILL ASSUME THE COSTS OF MAINTENANCE OF THE EQUIPMENT LOCATED WITHIN THE CANAL ZONE OTHER THAN THAT OF SPARE PARTS WHICH IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE DIRECTORATE OF CIVIL AVIATION OF PANAMA WILL FURNISH.

"RATHER THAN FURTHER EXTEND THE 1949 AGREEMENT RELATING TO A COMMUNICATIONS CABLE, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WOULD PROPOSE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF "THE CABLE" TO THE GOVERNMENT OF PANAMA AS OF MARCH 31, 1974.

"IN ORDER TO ASSURE THE CONTINUATION OF COMMUNICATIONS WITHOUT INTERRUPTION IN CONNECTION WITH OPERATIONS AT TOCUMEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, PANAMA CITY, AND THE CANAL ZONE, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FURTHER PROPOSES THAT THE FOLLOWING BE MUTUALLY AGREED BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS:

(A) THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ASSUMES THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING THAT PORTION OF THE CABLE, WHICH IS LOCATED WITHIN THE CANAL ZONE, UNTIL OPERATION OF THE MICROWAVE SYSTEM OF COMMUNICATIONS IS BEGUN.

(B) THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA ASSUMES THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING THAT PORTION OF "THE CABLE" WHICH IS LOCATED OUTSIDE THE CANAL ZONE.

(C) SHOULD "THE CABLE" FAIL BEYOND REPAIR, THE TWO GOVERNMENTS AGREE TO PROVIDE ALTERNATE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ALBROOK AIR FORCE BASE AND TOCUMEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT UNTIL THE MICROWAVE SYSTEM IS INSTALLED AND BECOMES OPERATIVE.

"I AVAIL MYSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO YOUR EXCELLENCY THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION."
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